

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 232

By Finney R.

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Stefanie Michelle Pender, 2007 Valedictorian of Alcoa High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Stefanie Michelle Pender is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2007 graduating class at Alcoa High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Stefanie Pender has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Pender has earned an exemplary grade point average of 4.19, while participating in several extracurricular activities, including volleyball, basketball, Young Life, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and her church youth group; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, Stefanie Pender is a member of the National Honor Society; recipient of All-District, All-County and All-Regional honors for volleyball; participant in Maryville College's math contest; and an honoree in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pender's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Stefanie Pender's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Kay and Larry Pender, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pender's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2007 Alcoa High School Valedictorian, Stefanie Michelle Pender, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.